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March 31, 2011

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1300
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Chairman Bosco,

Subject: Solano Land Trust Grant Application for Rockville Trails Estate Acquisition

I am writing in strong support of the grant application by Solano Land Trust to purchase Rockville Trails Estates (RTE).

As you know, Solano County has limited opportunities for outdoor recreation and education even though it is a somewhat rural county. Rockville Hills Park is adjacent to this property and is heavily used by local and regional residents.

The addition of RTE to our open space will give us a much-needed addition to lands where we can hike, watch birds, bike, ride horse-back and generally enjoy nature. As our county continues to grow as a major commercial center between the Bay Area and the Sacramento region, the need for protected lands such as these will become ever more important. In like vein, with increased urban pressure, preservation of lands which also serve as rangeland for cattle operations will also become more important.

As a part of the Blue Ridge Berryessa Natural Area, I hope RTE will be the first of many lands to be preserved for habitat preservation and enhancement, wildlife corridors and connectivity in the North Bay area.

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Your support for past work of SLT has been much appreciated. I urge your favorable

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consideration of this grant application.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

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George Miller
Member of Congress
7th District of California

Cc: Melanie Denninger, Project Manager, State Coastal Conservancy
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April 3, 2011

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1300
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Chairman Bosco;

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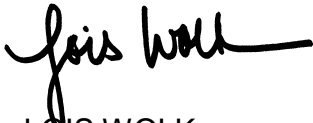
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Your support for past work of the Solano Land Trust has been much appreciated, and I hope you will be able to support this current grant application.

Thank you very much for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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LOIS WOLK,
State Senator, 5th District

LW:dml

cc. Melanie Denninger, Project Manager, State Coastal Conservancy
 Nicole Byrd, Executive Director, Solano Land Trust



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April 11, 2011

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1300
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Chairman Bosco:

Subject: Solano Land Trust Grant Application for Rockville Trails Estates Acquisition

I am writing in strong support for the Solano Land Trust's application to acquire the Rockville Trails Estates. As the Assemblymember for the Eighth Assembly District that includes six of the seven cities within Solano County, I understand the importance of protecting land for preservation and enhancement of habitat, for open space use by the public, and for continuation of agricultural use.

As our county continues to grow as a major commercial center between the Bay Area and the Sacramento region, the need for protected lands such as these is heightened. This area is a key wildlife corridor that connects to the Blue Ridge-Berryessa Natural Area which comprises over 800,000 acres of land. Neighboring Rockville Hills Park is frequently used by regional and local residents who treasure this open space to hike, bike and ride their horses. Rockville Trails Estates is a natural and significant addition to this precious resource. This acquisition would enrich the lives of Solano County residents with more opportunities to participate in outdoor recreation and education.

Solano Land Trust is a respected partner in Solano County and I support their grant application in order to purchase the Rockville Trails Estates. If you have further questions regarding my support, please do not hesitate to contact me in my district office at (707) 455-8025. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

MARIKO YAMADA
Assemblymember, 8th AD

Cc: Melanie Denninger, Project Manager
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MY: cn

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March 29, 2011

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Subject: Solano Land Trust Grant Application for Rockville Trails Estate Acquisition

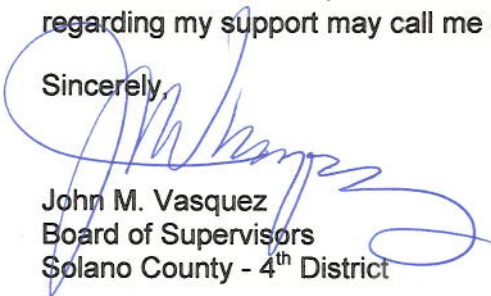
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Along with the Solano Land Trust, we have demonstrated a commitment to supporting opportunities for outdoor recreation and education. One example is the Parks and Recreation Division of Solano County General Services operates the Lynch Canyon Open Space as a County Park through a Cooperative Management Agreement with the Solano Land Trust.

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With conviction and confidence, I encourage your approval of the Solano Land Trust Grant Application for the acquisition of Rockville Trails Estate. Anyone wishing to speak to me regarding my support may call me directly at 707.784.6129.

Sincerely,


John M. Vasquez
Board of Supervisors
Solano County - 4th District

cc. Melanie Denninger, Project Manager, State Coastal Conservancy
Nicole Byrd, Executive Director, Solano Land Trust

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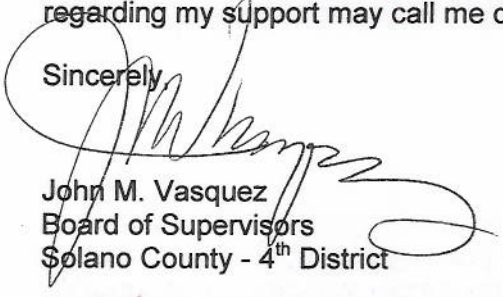
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Dear Chairman Bosco,

Subject: Solano Land Trust Grant Application for Rockville Trails Estate Acquisition

I am writing to you as a Solano County Supervisor to encourage the Coastal Conservancy to approve a grant application by Solano Land Trust to purchase Rockville Trails Estates (Rockville project).

As you know, Solano County has limited opportunities for outdoor recreation and education even though we are a somewhat rural county. Rockville Hills Park is adjacent to this property and is heavily used by local and regional residents.

The addition of the Rockville project to our open space will give us a much-needed addition to lands where residents and visitors can hike, watch birds, bike, ride horse-back and generally enjoy nature. As Solano County continues to grow as a major commercial center between the Bay Area and the Sacramento region, the need for protected lands such as these will become ever more important. In like vein, with increased urban pressure, preservation of lands which also serve as rangeland for cattle operations will also become more important.

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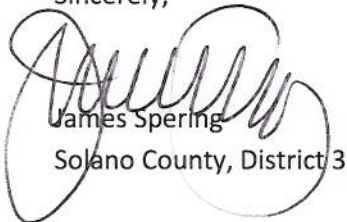
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Thank you very much for your consideration.

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James Spering
Solano County, District 3

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Nicole Byrd, Executive Director, Solano Land Trust

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April 8, 2011

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Dear Chairman Bosco,

Subject: Solano Land Trust Grant Application for Rockville Trails Estate Acquisition

Solano County is writing to encourage the Coastal Conservancy to approve a grant application by Solano Land Trust to purchase Rockville Trails Estates (RTE) located in the western foothills of Solano County.

An existing agreement among the County, City of Fairfield, and Solano Land Trust allows the Land Trust to utilize funds collected from an assessment district for the specific purpose of purchasing land or easements in this vicinity for open space and recreational use. The RTE acquisition is an opportunity for the Solano Land Trust to augment funding from this source and serve to facilitate acquisition of a significant open space resource in Solano County that would be enjoyed by present and future generations.

As you know, Solano County is still developing opportunities for outdoor recreation and education being generally a rural county. The 633-acre Rockville Hills Park is adjacent to this property and is heavily used by local and regional residents and, given its proximity, could combine with the subject acquisition area to provide a large and desirable swath of open space in an area rich in diverse and varied inland coastal habitat.

The addition of RTE to the County's open space network will provide a wonderful community amenity where hiking, bird watching, mountain biking, horse-back riding, and other low impact recreational uses can be enjoyed. As the County continues to grow as a commercial and residential center between the Bay Area and the Sacramento region, the preservation of range lands for cattle operations, open space corridors for habitat, and low impact recreational opportunities will be important.

In addition to the potential recreational aspects of the land, it contains significant habitat value, including but not limited to:

- Habitat for special status wildlife species, such as the golden eagle, burrowing owls, American peregrine falcon, California red legged frog, elderberry longhorn beetle, and the northwestern pond turtle.
- Vernal pools, Blue Oak forest/woodlands, and Valley needle grass grassland
- Key wildlife corridors identified in the draft Solano County HCP
- Listed as a Solano HCP Priority Watershed Conservation Area

Solano Land Trust has been an active partner with Solano County and the cities of Fairfield, Vallejo and Benicia on various projects. It also has been successful working with other agencies, including non-profit organizations, and other government agencies at the local, state and national levels.

Your support for past work of SLT has been integral to their success. We hope you will be able to support this current grant application.

Thank you very much for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Michael D. Johnson
County Administrator

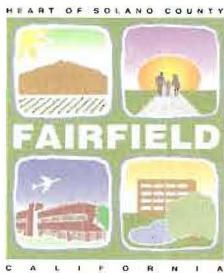
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March 28, 2011

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Douglas Bosco
Chairman
State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1300
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Re: **Solano Land Trust Grant Application for
Rockville Trails Estates Acquisition**

Dear Chairman Bosco:

I am writing to encourage the Coastal Conservancy to approve a grant application by Solano Land Trust (SLT) to purchase Rockville Trails Estates (RTE).

As you know, Solano County has limited opportunities for outdoor recreation and education even though we are a somewhat rural county. The City-owned Rockville Hills Park is adjacent to this property and is heavily used by local and regional residents.

The addition of RTE to our open space will give us a much-needed addition to lands where we can hike, watch birds, bike, ride horse-back and generally enjoy nature. As our county continues to grow as a major commercial center between the Bay Area and the Sacramento region, the need for protected lands such as these will become ever more important. In like vein, with increased urban pressure, preservation of lands which also serve as rangeland for cattle operations will also become more important.

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Letter to Douglas Bosco

Re: **Solano Land Trust Grant Application for Rockville Trails Estates Acquisition**

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Thank you very much for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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SEAN P. QUINN
City Manager

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Douglas Bosco, Chairman
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1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
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April 14, 2011

Dear Chairman Bosco,

The Bay Area Ridge Trail Council (Ridge Trail Council) encourages the State Coastal Conservancy to approve the grant request by the Solano Land Trust to help purchase the 1500 acre Rockville Trails Estates (RTE) property. This acquisition is of great importance in completing the Ridge Trail through Solano County. It would secure land that has long been identified to provide six new miles of Ridge Trail along major rock cliffs and sparsely vegetated slopes with expansive views of San Francisco Bay; a very significant addition to future opportunities for outdoor recreation and education for the residents and visitors in Solano County.

Nearby residents have taxed themselves for the last 20 years to create an "Open Space Fund." They have pledged \$3 million to leverage public and private dollars for acquisition of RTE which includes \$1 million as an endowment for managing and maintaining the trail. This will make it possible to provide managed public access very soon after the purchase is final.

Solano Land Trust has a reputation for being a highly professional, ethical and responsible land manager. They have been Ridge Trail Council partners for over 20 years. Its board reflects a broad spectrum of community interests. The threat of development on the property will return if this purchase is delayed due to lack of funding.

The Ridge Trail Council enthusiastically supports the SCC's staff recommendation to grant funds to Solano Land Trust for purchase of the Rockville Trails Estates. We thank you for your ongoing support and commitment to public access and open space protection.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Janet McBride".

Janet McBride, Executive Director
Bay Area Ridge Trail Council

Cc: Bill Long, Chair, Ridge Trail Council



April 13, 2011

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1300
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Chairman Bosco,

Subject: **Solano Land Trust Grant Application for Rockville Trails Estate Acquisition**

Solano EDC encourages the Coastal Conservancy to approve the grant application by Solano Land Trust to purchase Rockville Trails Estates (RTE) for the following reasons.

Rockville Hills Park is adjacent to the RTE property and is a heavily used park by local and regional residents. RTE is a natural addition for growth in outdoor recreation and nature education providing addition lands to hike, watch birds, bike, ride horse-back and generally enjoy nature.

As Solano County continues to grow as a major commercial center between the Bay Area and the Sacramento region, the need for protected lands such as RTE will become ever more important with increased urban pressure. Preservation of RTE lands will also serve as rangeland for cattle operations which is an important element of the agricultural economy.

As a part of the Blue Ridge Berryessa Natural Area, RTE will be the first of targeted lands to be preserved for habitat preservation and enhancement, wildlife corridors and connectivity in the North Bay area.

Solano Land Trust reputation for managing lands is professional reflects the broad spectrum of community interest. It board of directors partners with Solano County, and the seven cities and numerous other government and non-profit organizations at the local, State and national level. RTE fits within the ability and resources of the Solano Land Trust.

Thank you very much for your consideration for support of this grant application.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in purple ink that reads 'Michael S. Ammann'.

Michael S. Ammann
President

c. Melanie Denninger, Project Manager
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April 5, 2011

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Green Valley Landowners Association

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Our mission is to preserve and enhance the rural character of Green Valley

April 7, 2011
Douglas Bosco, Chairman
State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1300
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Chairman Bosco,

Subject: Solano Land Trust Grant for Rockville Trails Estate Acquisition

The Green Valley Landowners Association is writing to encourage the Coastal Conservancy to approve a grant application by Solano Land Trust to exercise a rare opportunity to purchase a significant acreage of Solano County open space; Rockville Trails Estates, on Rockville Road.

As you know, Solano County has limited opportunities for outdoor recreation and education even though we are a somewhat rural county. Rockville Hills Park is adjacent to this property and is heavily used by local and regional residents.

The addition of this extraordinary, almost 1500 acre natural property to our open space will give us a much-needed addition to lands where citizens can hike, watch birds, bike, ride horse-back and generally enjoy nature. As our county continues to grow as a major commercial center between the Bay Area and the Sacramento region, the need for protected lands such as these will become ever more important. In like vein, with increased urban pressure, preservation of lands which also serve as rangeland for cattle operations will also become more important. As you are probably aware, the community is contributing over \$3.5 million towards the acquisition of this property, from local Open Space Tax Funds.

As a part of the Blue Ridge Berryessa Natural Area, we hope RTE will be the first of many lands to be preserved for habitat preservation and enhancement, wildlife corridors and connectivity in the North Bay area.

Solano Land Trust has a long-term reputation for managing its work in a highly professional, ethical and responsible manner. Its board reflects a broad spectrum of the community interest. It has a history of successful partnerships with Solano County, many of the cities in Solano County, and numerous other government and non-profit organizations at the local, State and national level. We hope you will be able to support this important and significant grant application.

Thank you very much for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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OAKLAND, CALIF.

Bill Mayben
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April 11, 2011

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1300
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Chairman Bosco:

RE: Solano Land Trust Grant Application for Rockville Trails Estate Acquisition

This letter is to express the support of the Blue Ridge Berryessa Natural Area (BRBNA) Conservation Partnership for the funding request from the Solano Land Trust to purchase Rockville Trails Estates (RTE). The proposed acquisition lies at the southern tip of the BRBNA and has been part of our long term goals for protected land in the region. The habitat, recreation and education values of this property are important locally as well as regionally. The Solano Land Trust is to be commended for its collaboration with other land trusts in the BRBNA to identify and protect key properties in Solano County that fall within the region's boundaries, offering important opportunities for landscape scale land conservation and management.

As you are aware, the BRBNA encompasses nearly 800,000 acres of wild, coast range lands that extend southward from the Mendocino National Forest to include portions of Lake, Napa, Solano, Yolo, and Colusa counties. The region contains the Putah and Cache Creek watersheds, both tributaries within the Sacramento River hydrologic basin. The BRBNA Conservation Partnership is a collaborative group of public agencies, landowners and non-profit organizations working together to conserve the natural and working landscape on both public and private lands of the BRBNA, an area rich in biodiversity and relatively untouched by urban development. As a part of the BRBNA, we hope RTE will be one of many properties in Solano County to be protected for its contribution to regional habitat preservation and enhancement, wildlife corridors and connectivity, and outdoor recreation and education.

Solano Land Trust has a reputation for managing its work in a highly professional, ethical and responsible manner. Its board reflects a broad spectrum of the community, and it is a respected member of the land trust community in California.

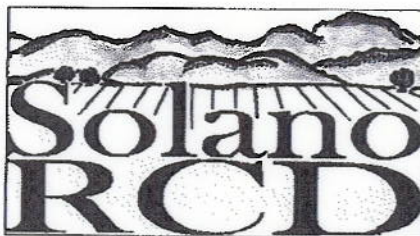
We hope you will be able to support this current grant application from the Solano Land Trust. The State Coastal Conservancy's ongoing support for projects in the BRBNA has been much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Suzanne Easton

Suzanne Easton, Director

c. Melanie Denninger, SCC
Nicole Byrd, Solano Land Trust



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March 29, 2011

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1300
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Chairman Bosco,

Subject: Solano Land Trust Grant Application for Rockville Trails Estate Acquisition

Our organization is writing to encourage the Coastal Conservancy to approve a grant application by Solano Land Trust to purchase Rockville Trails Estates (RTE).

Solano RCD is committed to local control of environmental resources, working cooperatively with landowners to implement ground-up solutions to resource challenges.

Our goal is to cooperatively implement resource management solutions that:

- Reduce losses of habitat and diversity in native wildlife and plant species
- Restore valuable wildlife habitat using native plants
- Foster willing resource stewardship on private and public lands
- Bring together diverse parties with common goals and interests
- Prevent pollution of waterways and groundwater from pesticide run-off, sediment, and nutrient build up
- Educate community members on resource protection and watershed health

As you know, Solano County has limited opportunities for outdoor recreation and education even though we are a somewhat rural county. Rockville Hills Park is adjacent to this property and is heavily used by local and regional residents.

The addition of RTE to our open space will give us a much-needed addition to lands where we can hike, watch birds, bike, ride horse-back and generally enjoy nature. As our county continues to grow as a major commercial center between the Bay Area and the Sacramento region, the need for protected lands such as these will become ever more

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important. In like vein, with increased urban pressure, preservation of lands which also serve as rangeland for cattle operations will also become more important.

As a part of the Blue Ridge Berryessa Natural Area, we hope RTE will be the first of many lands to be preserved for habitat preservation and enhancement, wildlife corridors and connectivity in the North Bay area.

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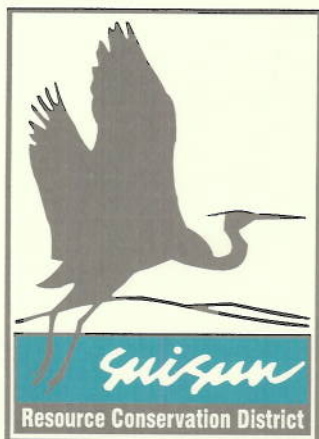
Your support for past work of SLT has been much appreciated. We hope you will be able to support this current grant application.

Thank you very much for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Christopher Rose
Executive Director
Solano Resource Conservation District



March 30th, 2011

Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chairman
State Coastal Conservancy
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Subject: Solano Land Trust Grant Application for Rockville Trails Estate Acquisition

Dear Chairman Bosco,

The Suisun Resource Conservation District is writing to encourage the Coastal Conservancy to approve Solano Land Trust's grant application to purchase Rockville Trails Estates (RTE).

RTE is a significant parcel of land with unique wildlife and cultural resources, just a stone's throw from the local communities of Solano County. Opportunities for outdoor recreation and education are limited even though we are a somewhat rural county. The city of Fairfield's Rockville Hills Park is adjacent to this property and this proposal will provide additional public access to the local residents and regional visitors.

The addition of RTE to Solano County's open space will provide much more land where hiking, bird watching, bike riding, horse-back riding and nature viewing can occur. With Solano County being located between the Bay Area and the Sacramento region, the need for protected lands such as these will become ever more important. With increased urban development pressure, preservation of lands which also serve as rangeland for cattle operations continues to be an important attribute to support the agricultural community.

The Suisun Resource Conservation District has had the pleasure of working with Solano Land Trust for many years on land stewardship and education. These types of partnerships reflect a broad spectrum of the community interest and collaboration with Solano County, many of the cities in Solano County, and numerous other government and non-profit organizations at the local, State and national level.

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Your support for past work of SLT has been much appreciated. We hope you will be able to support this current grant application.

Thank you very much for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Steven Chappell,
Executive Director

Cc. Melanie Denninger, State Coastal Conservancy
 Nicole Byrd, Solano Land Trust



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April 1, 2011

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1300
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Chairman Bosco,

Subject: Solano Land Trust Grant Application for Rockville Trails Estate Acquisition

American Land Conservancy is writing to encourage the Coastal Conservancy to approve a grant application by Solano Land Trust to purchase Rockville Trails Estates (RTE).

As you know, Solano County has limited opportunities for outdoor recreation and education. The addition of RTE will compliment the adjacent Rockville Hills Park which is heavily used by local and regional residents.

The addition of RTE to Solano County's open space will give the residents a much-needed addition to lands where they can hike, watch birds, bike, ride horse-back and generally enjoy nature. As the county continues to grow as a major commercial center between the Bay Area and the Sacramento region, the need for protected lands such as these will become ever more important. In like vein, with increased urban pressure, preservation of lands which also serve as rangeland for cattle operations will also become more important.

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Thank you very much for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Kerry O'Toole
President
American Land Conservancy

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